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MESSAGE:

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF:

SCHULZE-LEFERT et al

Serial No.: 09/722,377

Filed: November 28, 2000

For: POLYNUCLEOTIDE AND ITS USE FOR MODULATING A DEFENCE
RESPONSE IN PLANTS

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Title: POLYNUCLEOTIDE AND ITS USE FOR MODULATING A DEFENCE RESPONSE
IN PLANTSAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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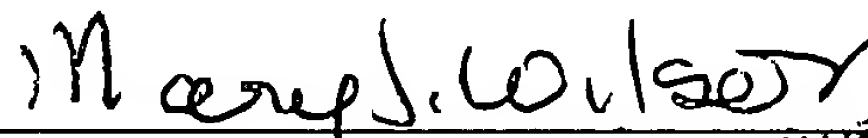
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March 20, 2003

AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated
September 20, 2002, in the above matter, the period for
response having been extended up to March 20, 2003, by
submission of the required petition and fee herewith.
Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 19,
line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

25L 5'-GTG CAT CTG CGT GTG CGT A-3' (SEQ ID NO:57)

25LN 5'-GTG TGC GTA CCT GGT AGA G-3' (SEQ ID NO:58)